

**MODEL ARTICLE X.X.8. FOR ALL DISEASE-SPECIFIC CHAPTERS
(OR ARTICLE 10.4.12. FOR INFECTION WITH INFECTIOUS
SALMON ANAEMIA VIRUS)**

Importation of aquatic animals for aquaculture from a country, zone or compartment not declared free from 'infection with pathogen X' / 'disease X'

- 1) When importing for *aquaculture*, *aquatic animals* of species referred to in Article X.X.2. from a country, *zone* or *compartment* not declared free from 'infection with pathogen X'/'disease X', the *Competent Authority* of the *importing country* should assess the *risk* in accordance with Chapter 2.1. and consider the risk mitigation measures in points 2) and 3) below.
- 2) If the intention is to grow out and harvest the *aquatic animals*, consider applying the following:
 - a) the direct delivery to and lifelong holding of the *aquatic animals* in a *quarantine* facility; and
 - b) the treatment of transport water, equipment, effluent and waste materials to inactivate 'pathogen X' (in accordance with Chapter 4.7.).
- 3) If the intention is to establish a new stock for *aquaculture*, consider applying the following:
 - a) In the *exporting country*:
 - i) identify potential source populations and evaluate their *aquatic animal* health records;
 - ii) test source populations in accordance with Chapter 1.4. and select a founder population (F-0) of *aquatic animals* with a high health status for 'infection with pathogen X'/'disease X' .
 - b) In the *importing country*:
 - i) import the F-0 population into a *quarantine* facility;
 - ii) test the F-0 population for 'pathogen X' in accordance with Chapter 1.4. to determine their suitability as broodstock;
 - iii) produce a first generation (F-1) population in *quarantine*;
 - iv) culture F-1 population in *quarantine* under conditions that are conducive to the clinical expression of 'infection with pathogen X'/'disease X' (as described in the *Aquatic Manual*) and test for 'pathogen X' in accordance with Chapter 1.4.;
 - v) if 'pathogen X' is not detected in the F-1 population, it may be defined as free from 'infection with pathogen X'/'disease X' and may be released from *quarantine*;
 - vi) if 'pathogen X' is detected in the F-1 population, those animals should not be released from *quarantine* and should be killed and disposed of in a biosecure manner.